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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR BUILDING SOURCE CODE FOR CONNECTING TO
SYSTEMS

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AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

☒ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
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If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. ☐ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ☒ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.

Preston regards a natural human language artificial intelligence system that includes a visual representation of input text and derived relationships between parsed elements of the input text. More particularly and unlike applicant's claim 9, 10, 19 and 20, Preston discloses a graphical user interface to enable a user to manipulate graphical representations of relationships between text in order to redefine and/or adjust the relationships (see column 2, lines 23-26). Any errors and ambiguities resulting from the derived relationships and/or parsed text can, therefore, be corrected by the user by manipulating graphical screen controls.

Respectfully, Preston does not teach or suggest elements of applicant's amended claims 1 and 11 regarding a software application for providing an electronic message interface that includes rules complying with a target API. Further, Preston does not teach or suggest using the software application to identify keywords in the instructions to develop high-level programming language source code that is compiled into object code to function as the message interface. Therefore, applicant respectfully submits that Preston does not supply elements of applicant's amended claims 1 and 11 that are missing from the prior art teachings described in the background section of applicant's written specification. Claims 9, 10, 19 and 20 depend directly or indirectly from claims 1 or 11, respectively, and, therefore, are not rendered obvious over the combination of applicant's admitted prior art and Preston.

Accordingly, it is submitted that claims 1-21 of the present application clearly define over the prior art. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application, allow the claims as amended and pass this case to issue.

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